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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

AN ARTICLE OF FOOTWEAR
the specification of which (check one)
[] is attached hereto.
[x] was filed on January 18, 2005 as United States Application Serial Noor
PCT International Application No. PCT/EP2003/007124 and was amended on
(if applicable).
I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-
identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to
above.
I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to
patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.
I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code
§119(a)(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and
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PRIORITY FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)

			Priority Claimed
S2002/0581	Ireland	15 July 2002	Yes [X] No []
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

(Application Number)	(Filing Date)
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)	(Status)(patented, pending, abandoned)
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